

~~a plurality of said internally reinforced braiding yarns
being braided together.~~


REMARKS

The above amendments to pages 6 and 8 of the specification clarify that the yarn 4 is internally reinforced with yarns 40, graphite 41 and adhesive.

Claim 2 has been further amended to emphasize each internally reinforced braiding yarn is held together by the expanded graphite with adhesive and that these internally reinforced braiding yarns are braided together to form the packing.

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